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CHANGE IN FUNDING PATTERN FOR CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a sustained pressure from Assam and other North-Eastern States for a change in the Funding Pattern for the Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the region;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) & (b): Chief Ministers of North Eastern States have been requesting for change in the funding pattern o f Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) for NE states to 90:10 (Centre : State share) on the ground of state`s own poor resources.

(c): It would be difficult to change the funding pattern of a few states in an ad-hoc manner. States need to manage their finances better and raise additional resources.